



Providing Testimony during the UGB Adoption Process

We are entering a new phase of Envision Eugene, the formal adoption of our own urban growth boundary (UGB). Along with this new phase, come opportunities for the public to provide feedback on the UGB Adoption Package and how it reflects six years of community engagement, technical analysis and Council direction.

How do I give feedback on the UGB?

Winter/Spring 2017: The UGB expansion and full UGB adoption package must go through a formal adoption process that begins in January 2017. This process starts with a series of **work sessions** with the City of Eugene and Lane County Planning Commissions. These work sessions will familiarize Commissioners and the public with the proposed UGB and supporting materials as well as the adoption process.

Following these work sessions, the commissions will hold a **Planning Commission public hearing on March 7, 2017** where members of the public will have the opportunity to provide comment. There will be a work session first followed by the hearing. The hearing and testimony will include the proposal for employment, parks and school land, including the UGB itself and the Comprehensive Plan, and the proposal for residential land, which includes code amendments and the residential land supply study. Comments from the public will be considered by the commissions in their deliberations, along with legal requirements, technical analysis, and previous City Council direction. After the hearing, both commissions will deliberate and make a recommendation to their respective elected bodies.

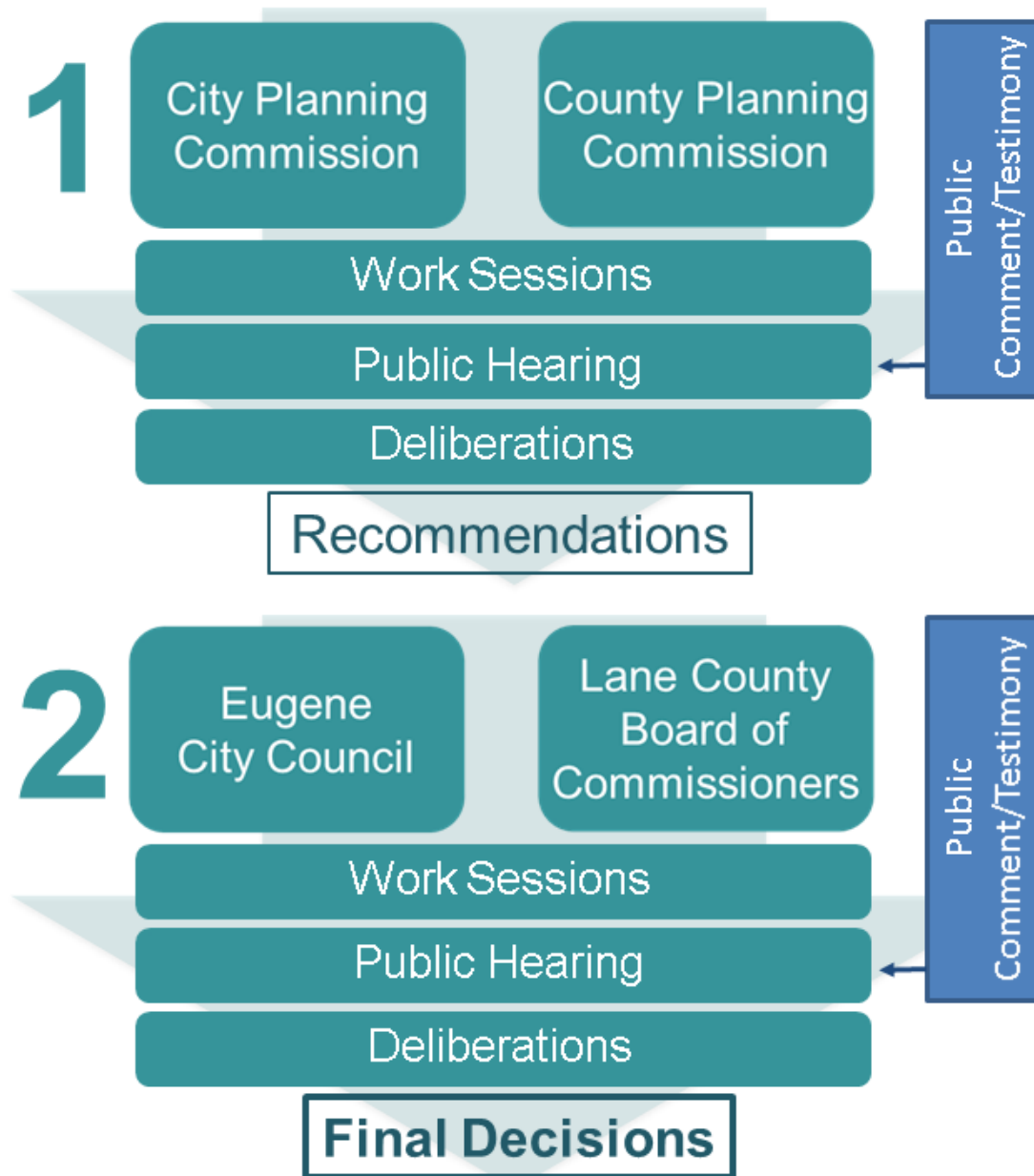
The Eugene City Council and Lane County Board of Commissioners will then hold work sessions, a **public hearing** with opportunities for public comment, and deliberations before taking action to finalize the UGB adoption package for acknowledgement by the state. Go to www.envisioneugene.org and see the **Get Involved!** page for the latest on events and opportunities.

QUICK FACTS

- The current UGB proposal is the result of six years of community input and technical analysis
- Members of the public are encouraged to provide feedback on how the proposal reflects our community vision, the seven pillars of Envision Eugene and prior Council direction
- You can submit testimony by speaking at a public hearing and/or submitting written comment in person, by email or by regular mail
- Visit envisioneugene.org to learn more.



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How do I prepare testimony that addresses the approval criteria for a decision?

The UGB adoption package includes several types of land use applications including Metro Plan Amendments, Refinement Plan Amendments, Code Amendments and Zone Changes. Each of these are reviewed against their own set of required approval criteria (standards or rules) from the Eugene Code (Chapter 9 Land Use) and from state law. City Council's decision on the UGB adoption package will be based on whether or not it complies with these approval criteria. As such, your testimony should be



directed at how the adoption package complies with these. There are several ways to find out about the relevant approval criteria for each application type:

- informational handouts and web resources at <http://www.eugene-or.gov/3208/Land-Use-Application-Information>
- public notices that will be mailed and posted on <http://www.envisioneugene.org>
- staff report/findings that address the approval criteria (See <http://www.envisioneugene.org>)

If you have questions about which criteria are applicable, or how to interpret specific criteria, feel free to contact the Envision Eugene team.

How do I provide written testimony?

Written testimony can be emailed, mailed, or hand delivered to a member of the Envision Eugene team. Testimony can also be submitted at a public hearing.

Email: envisioneugene@ci.eugene.or.us

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How do I provide testimony at a public hearing?

Adopting the Eugene-specific UGB will require two public hearings, one with the Eugene and Lane County Planning Commissions and one with the Eugene City Council and Lane County Board of Commissioners. These public hearings are opportunities to present your testimony in-person to appointed and elected officials. Often there is a three minute time limit for individual testimony when there are several speakers or when speaking at City Council. If you agree with the speaker before you, you can state your agreement rather than repeating the same testimony. If you are testifying alongside others who share your stance, it can be effective to organize ahead of the hearing so that each person has a different topic or issue to speak on (rather than repeating the same testimony). If possible, bring written copies of your testimony to give to the Commissioners/Councilors.



Need more details?

There are many opportunities to learn more about the UGB adoption package of materials:

- Visit www.envisioneugene.org and see the **Adopting Our Urban Growth Boundary** page for specific components of the UGB adoption package, including materials proposed for adoption and fact sheets,
- Attend a **community information session** in January-February for more information about the UGB proposal and adoption process
- Subscribe to the **Envision Eugene newsletter** by emailing envisioneugene@ci.eugene.or.us
- Visit www.envisioneugene.org and see the **Get Involved!** page for details about events and opportunities